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Comment. Since versions of this event have been given some prominence in the Turkish and foreign press, it is believed that this detailed account may be of interest as background information.)

1. On 18 June 1948 at 1:45 a.m., a group of Bulgarians raided the village of Kalkansöğüt, Turkey, with the object of capturing Hasan Parkan, a Turkish agent who has been operating in Bulgaria with great success for several years, and of removing him for questioning. The head of the Bulgarian Security Police at Burgas; the Political Commissioner of Voden, a village on the Bulgarian frontier; the Civilian Officer of Elkhova; the Chief of the Security Police at Elkhova; Lieutenant Martinov; and Captain Bayraktarov planned the raid. Ivan Zlotin, Stoyan Yanikov, Petko Dorilov, Ivan Dorilov, Hristo Dimov, and Hristo Bevloneski, all of the village of Buyuk Boyalik, Bulgaria; Stoyu Stanov Balkaranov, Genco Velgeov, and a certain Hristo (Imu) were participants in it.
2. These men were notified of the raid two days in advance and were given two hand grenades apiece. The members of the Security Police were armed with pistols, and the civilians were supplied with daggers.
3. All those who took part met on the night of the raid, and were given good food and Bulgarian rakı. Captain Bayraktarov, Lieutenant Martinov and ten soldiers of the Frontier Guard joined the others at Elkhova, and, before the raid got underway, Bayraktarov, Martinov, the head of the Security Police at Burgas, and the Chief of the Elkhova Security Police conferred in a separate room. At 8 o'clock six cars arrived to take the group to the customhouse located on the Bulgarian side of the frontier, opposite the village of Kalkansöğüt. Bayraktarov posted the ten soldiers at strategic points, and the rest of the party stayed in the customhouse until midnight, when Bayraktarov indicated that everything was ready. The group was then divided into two sections, one section preceding and the other following, as a safety precaution. When they reached Kalkansöğüt the first section was again divided into two parts. One part went to the home of a certain Selimoğlu, a member of the Turkish Militia who always housed Hasan Parkan when he returned from his missions in Bulgaria, the second part waited nearby in case of an emergency, and the Bulgarian Frontier Guard opened fire on the Turkish customhouse.

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4. The first section entered Selimoğlu's house, awakened and gagged him and forced him to take them to the house where Hasan Parkan was staying. There they knocked on the door and called him by name. Parkan, not realizing what was going on, opened the door, whereupon four men attacked him and tried to handcuff him. However, he managed to struggle free and to get his pistol from under his pillow. At this point, he heard a shot fired in the next room. He then fired in the dark, and the raiders fled. When Parkan started in pursuit, he noticed that Selimoğlu lay dead on the floor in the next room, and subsequently discovered that he had been killed by the shot that he, Parkan, had heard. Parkan continued in pursuit of the raiders. One of these was wounded, lost his way, and eventually stumbled into the courtyard of the village mukhtar. This man, identified as the Hristo of paragraph 1 above, died a short time later. He was carrying two hand grenades which had the following markings: B.P.O. near the head of the bomb, and F.C. 41 on the fuse. He also had a dagger approximately 15 cm. long, a "needle" approximately 10 cm. long which is used for silent killing, and three ropes of the sort used for strangling. Eventually the raiders retreated to the Bulgarian customhouse, and waited there until the Turkish and Bulgarian frontier guards ceased fire.
5. The following casualties were recorded:
- a. Ivan Zlotin, Bulgarian. Severely wounded.  
Was sent to Sofia by car immediately.
  - b. Hristo, Bulgarian. Killed.
  - c. Selimoğlu, Turk. Killed.
  - d. Hasan Parkan, Turk. Slightly wounded.

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